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1. It was learned from railroad shipping documents that Unit [REDACTED] from PERLEBERG (N 54/U 70) and the Unit [REDACTED] from WITTSTOCK (N 54/U 11) arrived in RECHLIN (N 54/U 33) in late August 1949. The construction unit previously quartered in RECHLIN had left for TROLLENHAGEN (N 54/U 67).
2. The RECHLIN airfield was not reconditioned and not in operation. A radio station with radio trucks was established at the RECHLIN airfield.
3. The LAERZ (N 54/U 33) airfield was occupied by about 150 planes, including 15 biplanes. Radio truck S 5-30-37 and trucks B 7-85-90, B 7-85-87 and B 7-86-25 were observed.

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Comment:

a. The reported APNs confirm that the fighter units from PERLEBERG and WITTSTOCK were transferred to RECHLIN-LAERZ. [REDACTED] was last observed in March 1949 and [REDACTED] was last observed in WITTSTOCK in September 1947. Both units are probably airfield battalions (ATB). 25X1B0a

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b. According to the number of aircraft observed in LAERZ it is assumed that the entire 286th Ftr Div was transferred to LAERZ.

c. The information that the RECHLIN airfield is not occupied by an air unit was confirmed on 26 and 28 September 1949 \*.

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